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## **Señor Felix's, Delicioso and Trader Joe's 5-Layer Fiesta Dip Recalled for Bacteria**

(PHOENIX) -- For those waking up with more than memories of football playoffs, check your refrigerators to see if your abdominal pain is from dip you may have consumed.

Señor Felix Mexican Foods is voluntarily recalling three varieties of 5-Layer Fiesta dips that may be contaminated with shigellosis.

The three dips affected by the recall are Señor Felix's 5-Layer Fiesta Dip, Delicioso 5-Layer Fiesta Dip and Trader Joe's 5-Layer Fiesta Dip with expiration dates from February 8, 2000 through March 4, 2000.

According to the company, the bacteria was detected in the cheese used to make the dip. The dips were distributed nationwide mostly at Costco and Trader Joe's grocery stores.

David Ludwig, Maricopa County Environmental Health Manager said, "We will have our inspectors out in the field today doing a recall audit to be sure the product has been pulled from shelves. However, it's important that consumers check at home to see if they have any of the recalled product."

The affected dips include Señor Felix's 5-Layer Fiesta Dip, in 16, 20, 41 ounce containers, Delicioso 5-Layer Fiesta Dip, in 33 ounce containers, and Trader Joe's 5-Layer Fiesta Dip in 20 ounce containers.

Ludwig said, "In products with no preservatives, people should dispose of all the dip with code dates of Feb. 9, 2000 or earlier. 'Without preservatives' usually means ingredients of this product will read: 'black beans, fresh salsa, fresh guacamole, nacho and sour cream.' Any added chemicals will probably be preservatives. With preservatives, dispose of all the dip dated March 4, 2000 or earlier."

Although there has been some reports of illness associated with this recall, the exact number of cases of shigellosis is not known.

Symptoms may include diarrhea, accompanied by fever and nausea. Sometimes toxemia, vomiting and cramps may occur.

Consumers with questions may call Señor Felix Mexican Foods at 1-800-807-7335 between 6:00 AM and 11:00 PM PST.